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SUBJECT: VISIT OF UNDERSECRETARY FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE

CARLYLE E. MAW

REF: STATE 278678

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY MAW AND PARTY JANUARY 12-15/16. PROPOSED ACTIVITIES ARE OUTLINED BELOW. BECAUSE OF CHRISTMAS SEASON WE ARE UNABLE TO TIE DOWN EXACT APPOINTMENTS BUT WILL DO SO LATER UPON APPROVAL FROM YOU OF OUR GENERAL PROPOSALS.

2. (A) MEETINGS WITH FILIPINOS: WE WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT MARCOS AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MELCHOR. THE MEETING WITH MELCHOR MAY TAKE FORM OF BRIEFING OF AFP REQUIREMENTS AS SEEN FROM THE PALACE. WE WOULD ALSO PROPOSE TO ASK BRIG. GEN. ESPIRITU, LOGISTICS CHIEF OF THE AFP, TO PROVIDE YOU WITH A BRIEFING ON THE SELF RELIANCE PROGRAM OF THE AFP.

(B) COURTESY CALLS ON FILIPINOS: WE SUGGEST COURTESY CALLS ON SECRETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE PONCE ENRILE TOGETHER WITH UNDERSECRETARY SALIENTES WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MATERIEL. WE ALSO SUGGEST A CALL ON THE AFP CHIEF OF
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STAFF ESPINO IN COMPANY WITH HIS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF ILETO.

(C) MISSION TALKS: WE WOULD SUGGEST TALKS WITH

AMBASSADOR AND HIS STAFF ON FIRST DAY FOLLOWED BY THOROUGH BRIEFING BY CHJUSMAG AND STAFF. IN ADDITION AMBASSADOR WOULD APPRECIATE UNDERSECRETARY'S PARTICIPATION IN REGULAR STAFF MEETING OR COUNTRY TEAM MEETING (WEDNESDAY) AS SCHEDULE PERMITS.

(D) OTHER ACTIVITIES: IN VIEW OF THE UNDERSECRETARY'S FAMILIARITY WITH THE LEGAL PROBLEMS OF OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY POST-LAUREL-LANGLEY, WE WOULD PROPOSE BREAKFAST MEETING WITH BOARD OF AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT BUSINESS BE COMBINED WITH PLEASURE BY INCLUDING VISIT TO CORREGIDOR WITH VISIT TO AFP ARSENAL AT BATAAN AND TO CLARK AIR BASE, ALL WITHIN FAIRLY EASY HELICOPTER RANGE.

3. EMBASSY IS PREPARED TO ARRANGE SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR MRS. MAW. WOULD APPRECIATE INDICATION OF ANY SPECIAL INTERESTS SHE MAY HAVE.

4. HOSPITALITY: AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO HOST DINNER FOR UNDERSECRETARY ON JAN 13 TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR REPRESENTATIVE HIGH LEVEL FILIPINOS TO MEET UNDER SECRETARY. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT GOP WILL WANT TO HOST DINNER ON ONE OF REMAINING EVENINGS AS WILL CHJUSMAG, DEPENDING ON DEPARTURE SCHEDULE FOR SEOUL.

5. VIEW VISITING FAMILY WHICH OCCUPYING ALL AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS, AMBASSADOR REGRETS HE IS UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE UNDERSECRETARY AND PARTY AT RESIDENCE. RESERVATIONS HAVE ACCORDINGLY BEEN MADE AT HYATT HOTEL.
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